

Notice of Allowability

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 5/19/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,6,8,9,12,14,21 and 22.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
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9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

The examiner acknowledges a submission of the after final amendment filed on 5/19/2006. The amendment to claim 1 is accepted.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see page 5-6, filed 5/19/2006, with respect to the 112 issues of claims 1 & 6 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The previously made 112 rejection of claims 1 & 6 has been withdrawn in view of the amendment to claim 1.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 6, 8, 9, 12, 14, 21, & 22 are allowed.

In regard to Claim 1

Prior art teaches a sensor cable with a shroud (See Matsuoka et al. US 5,001,358) and a power converter (See Pai et al. US 2003/0043596) as well as a circuit board encased in epoxy (See McNair et al. US 4,888,494) and over mold material (See McLachlan et al. US 2004/0129578). Prior art also teaches a sensor output including a current sinking and sourcing output (See Alderman et al. US 6,137,351) however prior art fails to teach the sensor circuitry taught by prior art onto a circuit board being longer than it is wide in which first power supply leads and sensor leads attach to one end and

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second power supply leads and sensor leads attach to another end forming a connection between sensor leads.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

- Emery et al. (US 6,570,146)
- Al-Ali (US 6,950,687)
- Veneruso (US 4,806,928)

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel J. Cavallari whose telephone number is (571)272-8541. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Brian Sircus can be reached on (571)272-2800 x36. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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